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SUBJ: RESPITE FOLLOWS THREE WEEKS OF TENSION

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1. ALMOST THREE WEEKS HAVE PASSED SINCE THE CLOSING OF THE CONGRESS AND ONE WEEK HAS GONE BY SINCE DEMONSTRATORS DISRUPTED DOWNTOWN MONTEVIDEO. URUGUAYANS NOW ARE MOVING TOWARDS AT LEAST A SUPERFICIAL NORMALITY AS THEY TAKE STOCK OF EVENTS AND ASSESS THE COMING WEEKS. UNIVERSITY FACULTIES, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF LAW, RESUMED CLASSES JULY 16; LABOR, IN SECRET BALLOTING, VOTED TO RETURN TO WORK; IT HAS BEEN ANNOUNCED THAT PRIVATE SCHOOLS IN MONTEVIDEO AND ALL SCHOOLS IN THE INTERIOR WILL OPEN JULY 23; PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS IN THE CAPITAL WILL REOPEN AT THE END OF THE MONTH.

2. BRIEF SUSPENSIONS OF THE LEFTIST DAILIES "AHORA" AND "ULTIMA HORA" TERMINATE JULY 16 AND 19, RESPECTIVELY. THE COMMUNIST "EL POPULAR" WILL BE ABLE TO RESUME PUBLICATION

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AFTER JULY 19 ONLY IF IT CAN REPAIR PRESSES DAMAGED BY

AUTHORITIES ON JULY 9 OR FIND OTHER FACILITIES. "ACCION", OF JORGE BATLLE'S LIST 15 COLORADOS, HAD ONE EDITION CONFISCATED AND ANNOUNCED IT WOULD WSPEND PUBLICATION UNTIL THAT EDITION IS RELEASED. BATLLE MAY KEEP "ACCION" CLOSED FOR SOME TIME, FIRST BECAUSE IT WAS LOSING MONEY AND HAD BECOME A FINANCIAL BURDEN AND, SECONDLY, BECAUSE THE CLOSING MIGHT APPEAR TO THE PUBLIC TO BE A DEFIANT ACT AGAINST CENSORSHIP. NEVSLTHELESS, MOST PAPERS WILL BE IN THE STREETS BY THE END OF THE WEEK, ALBEIT UNDER LIMITED CENSORSHIP.

3. BUSINESS, INCLUDING THE KEY BANKING SECTOR, HAS RETURNED TO NORMAL; ALTHOUGH THERE ARE RUMORS THAT BANK WORKERS MAY EITHER GO ON A SLOWDOWN OR FOIL THE SYSTEM WITH MINOR "ERRORS".

4. MOST LABOR LEADERS AND DEMONSTRATORS DETAINED LAST WEEK HAVE BEEN RELEASED, MANY AFTER BEING HELD ONLY OVERNIGHT. HOWEVER, POLITICAL LEADERS INCLUDING "FRENTE AMPLIO" LEADER SEREGNI, FORMER BLANCO PARTY SENATOR SANTORO AND SOME FOUR OTHER FORMER BLANCO DEPUTIES REMAIN IN CUSTODY, ALTHOUGH FAMILLIES OF SOME DETAINED BLANCOS HAVE TOLD EMBOFF THEY EXPECT PROMPT RELEASE.

5. MEANWHILE, THE GOVERNMENT HAS BEGUN TO MOVE AHEAD. DURING THE PAST WEEK, FIVE NEW MINISTERS WERE NAMED AND SEVERAL OTHER LESSER POSITION WERE FILLED; THE PRESIDENCY ANNOUNCED CREATION OF A COMMISSION TO STUDY PRODUCTI JITY INCENTIVES TO AUGMENT WORKERS' INCOMES, STRENGTHEN COMLTITIVENESS ABROAD AND BENEFIT LOCAL CONSUMERS; A MASSIVE, WELL-ORGANIZED CAMPAIGN WAS BEGUN TO URGEWORKERS TO PUT THEIR SHOULDERS TO THE WHEEL TO HELP THE NATION; MEMBERS FOR THE COUNCIL OF STATE ARE BEIKX SOUGHT; AND THE ADMINISTRATIION ANNOUNCED THAT NEW LABOR LEGISLATION PROVIDING FOR, INTER ALIA, SECRET BALLOTING IN FUTURE UNION VOTES, WOULD BE FORTHCOMING IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

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